City Manager's Weekly Update

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Oct. 7th Planning Commission Meeting (agenda)

Oct. 13th Columbus Day Holiday (City Hall offices Closed)

Oct. 14th City Council Meeting



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Executive Summary

Dispute with Department of Finance Settled

On September 19th, the City and the California State Department of Finance (DOF) settled a dispute regarding expenditures of the former Belmont Redevelopment Agency. This has been an on-going issue since May of 2013 when the Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency received a letter from DOF that indicated the Belmont Successor Agency owed approximately \$1.9 million. The Successor Agency filed a response rebutting all of DOF's analysis and on June 21, 2013, DOF issued a revised letter of determination reducing the previous disputed balance of \$1.9 million to approximately \$1.4 million. In August 2013, the Successor Agency filed a petition for writ of mandate with the State Superior Court challenging the DOF determination and seeking injunctive relief from the Court. As a result of the recent settlement agreement, the DOF determined that \$1.1 million of the disputed costs were for illegible costs and the remaining balance of \$300K was required to be remitted to the San Mateo County Controller's Office for distribution to the taxing agencies, which occurred on September 29th. The City and Fire Protection Districts received \$25k and \$43k, respectively from this \$300K payment.

8th Annual School Leadership Luncheon



Police Chief DeSmidt and City Manager Scoles hosted the 8th Annual School Leadership Luncheon at City Hall this week.

We are pleased to host this annual event which includes training and updates for student safety and fosters open lines of communication between the City and School District leadership team. This is a very successful event that is looked forward to each year by all of the participants.

Emergency Preparedness Training

Thursday, over 120 people from City & County government, as well as public and private agencies, participated in a day long workshop on multi-agency coordination during emergency and disaster situations. Participants included our own City Manager, Public Works Director. Community Development Director, Human Resources Director and representatives of Belmont Police and Fire. It was a great training event and is part of on-going emergency preparedness in our County.



Community Events



On October 3rd and 4th NDNU will celebrate Homecoming. Special activities have been planned for the entire university community including an *Iron Chef Competition* featuring our Fire and Police Departments battling it out on the grill. I hear that there's more than just pride at stake this year!

Save the Music. On October 5th, the Belmont Redwood Shores School District "Save the Music" festival will take place at Twin Pines Park. As in past years the festival will have live

music and great food to raise money for the performing arts and other programs at our local schools.

More information on all of these events can be found throughout this document.

We hope to see you at all or some of these event that keep our community strong.

Progress on the 2015 Belmont Pavement Reconstruction Project

The design for the 2015 Belmont Pavement Reconstruction is currently in progress. This project will include reconstruction of the street pavement, installation of American Disability Act (ADA) curb ramps at street intersections, sewer line repairs and installation of drainage improvements. This project is being funded in part through \$534k in federal funds, and \$150k in *Measure A* Grant funds – Pedestrian and Bicycle Program and includes the following streets:

- ✓ Notre Dame Avenue from Alameda de las Pulgas to Miller Avenue
- ✓ Notre Dame Avenue from Ralston Avenue to Arbor Avenue
- ✓ Cipriani Boulevard from Alameda de las Pulgas to Newlands Avenue

A community input meeting will be held on October 15, 2014, 6:30pm – 8:00pm, at the Twin Pines Senior & Community Center to inform the neighborhoods about the project and receive input before the design is finalized. In addition, individual meetings are being held with property owners who may have impacts to their property as a result of the project.

Public Works staff is completing technical studies required for federal environmental approval and expects to receive federal environmental clearance in November. Potholing in the area will take place in the next couple of weeks to identify the location of underground utilities that may need to be relocated before the reconstruction of the streets takes place. In order to meet federal fund deadlines, the final design will need to be completed and submitted to Caltrans by December 31, 2014. Construction of the project is scheduled for summer 2015.

You may find additional information about the project on the City's website here: Pavement Reconstruction Project.









2015 PAVEMENT RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

The City of Belmont along with its design consultant, Bellecci & Associates, invite you to attend an "Open House" community meeting on:

Wednesday October 15th from 6:30p.m to 8:00p.m. Twin Pines Senior & Community Center 20 Twin Pines Lane, Belmont, CA 94002

THE CITY OF BELMONT plans to rehabilitate the following streets:

- Cipriani Boulevard from Alameda De Las Pulgas to Newlands Avenue (Site #1)
- Notre Dame Avenue (upper) from Alameda De Las Pulgas to Miller Avenue (Site #2)
- Notre Dame Avenue (Lower) from Ralston Avenue to Arbor Avenue (Site #3)

**Street reconstruction limits are shown on the back of this notice

The design of this project includes choosing methods of pavement rehabilitation and/or reconstruction that minimize inconvenience to the neighborhood, extend the effectiveness of the pavement's life and remain within the program budget.

The street design will include repairs or replacement of the underlying road followed by installation of a new asphalt concrete pavement over the road surface. In addition, where applicable, sections of the sidewalk, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant ramps, and curb & gutter will be included for construction.

PROPOSED PROJECT ELEMENTS

- Relocation of bus stop and loss of 1 parking space on the 2200 block of Notre Dame Avenue
- Installation of ADA compliant curb ramps
- Installation of new cross walks and relocation of some existing cross walks
- Conforms to existing driveways

The proposed plans for this project will be available for review and comment during the meeting. Residents who live on street sections scheduled for rehabilitation are invited to provide input relevant to the design of the rehabilitation.

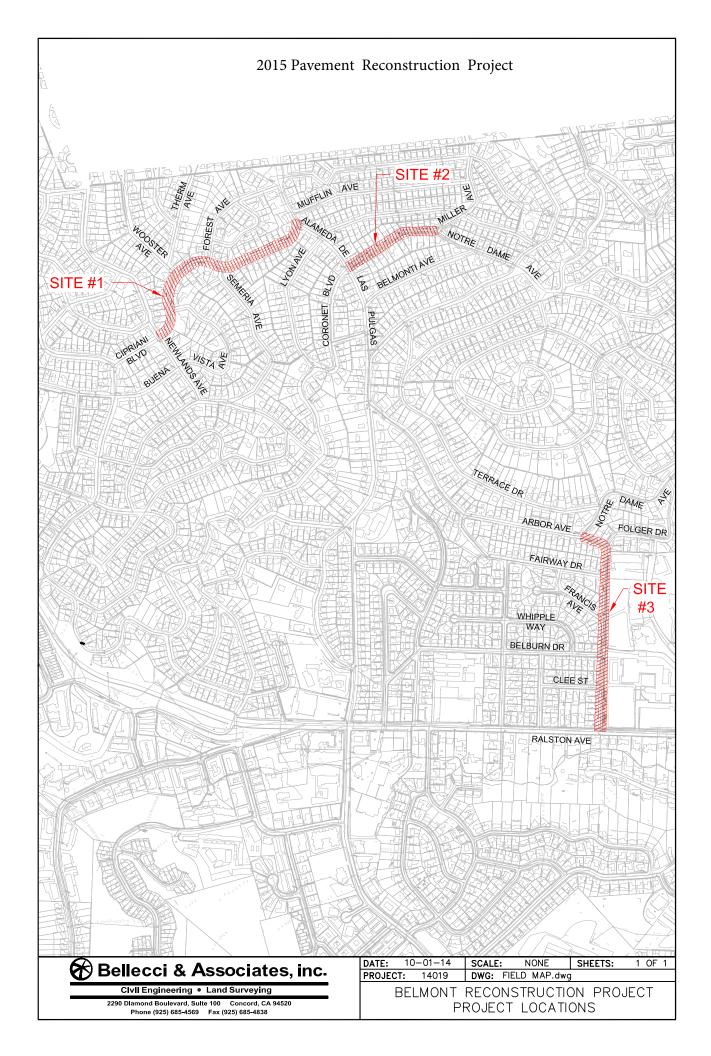
PROJECT SCHEDULE

The City expects to be under construction in Summer of 2015.

** The Contractor will be required to notify residents of its anticipated schedule two weeks prior to start of construction.

Please address questions and/or provide comments to:

Dalia Manaois Assistant Engineer Email: dcorpus@belmont.gov Public Works - City of Belmont One Twin Pines Lane, Suite 385 Belmont, CA 94002





RALSTON AVENUE SANITARY SEWER REPLACEMENT PROJECT

The construction of the Ralston Sewer Rehabilitation Project is anticipated to begin in mid-October. The project limits are Ralston Avenue between Notre Dame Avenue and South Road. The project involves upsizing the existing 15" and 18" sewer mains to a 24" diameter pipe, reconnection of service lateral pipes, various spot repairs and manhole rehabilitation. The contractor will be using trenchless technology by using directional boring as the primary method of construction, but even with this method there needs to be a number of open trench excavations.

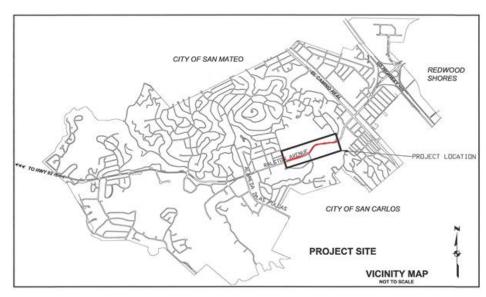
Directional drilling is a steerable <u>trenchless</u> method of installing underground pipes in a shallow arc along a prescribed bore path by using a surface-launched drilling rig, with minimal impact on the surrounding area.



Directional Boring Machine

During the course of construction, there will be heavy equipment staging along Ralston Avenue. The center Lane or travel lanes will be reduced to one lane in each direction within this project location and there will be an overall impact on traffic circulation in the area. Commuters should anticipate some traffic delays during the construction hours of 9:00am to 3:00pm. The project is anticipated to be complete by mid-December. For additional information, please contact Public Works at 650-595-7425 or visit the project

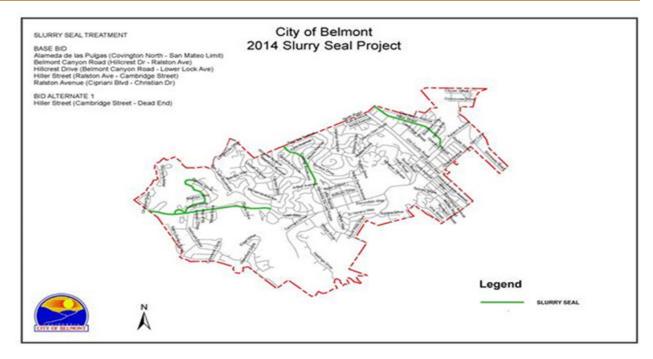
webpage.



<u>Update- 2014 Summer Pavement Maintenance Slurry Seal Project</u>

Construction for the 2014 Slurry Seal Project is in progress.

Status	Location				
Slurry Scheduled for mid-October	Hiller Street (Between Cambridge St. to north end)				



Marsten Avenue Storm Drain Repair Project Update

The City's contractor, Trinet Construction, Inc. has completed repairs for the Marsten Avenue storm drain project on the slope adjacent to Marsten Avenue and Lori Drive. The gully was backfilled; erosion control blankets are installed; and an additional 40 linear feet of broken corrugated metal pipes have been replaced. The progress of the project is ahead of the original schedule. The contractor is currently working on the punch list items, and the project is anticipated to be fully complete by the end of October. The project cost is expected to be within the approved budget of \$47,875 plus 10% contingency.







Storm Division

- Swept 109 curb miles collecting 10.97 tons of debris
- Replaced 5 "flows to bay" decals
- Inspected 281 Storm Drain Inlets
- Inspected 113 Storm Manholes
- Replaced 1 Manhole cover
- Replaced 2 Storm Drain Inlet Grates with new "Bike safe" grates
- Inspected and Cleaned 2 Storm Pump stations
- Inspected and Cleaned check valves at Ralston Storm Pump Station
- Pulled/cleaned/checked oil and inspected pump No. 1 at Ralston Strom Pump Station
- Vactor truck vacuumed out debris from Ralston Storm Pump Station Wet Well (removed 4 yards of debris)
- Vactor truck vacuum out debris from Corporation Yard wash rack and drying rack
 Separator (removed 7 yards of debris)
- Trimmed large pine tree blocking "City right of Way" in the Hallmark area
- Cleaned debris from Davey Glenn V-Ditch

Sewer Division

- Inspected and cleaned 11 sewer pump stations
- The service truck (205) responded to 11 service calls
- Jetted (cleaned) 1,999 feet of sewer main
- Daily cleaning of the flushable wipes trap at the Ralston Ranch Pump Station
- Used new technology to repair and replace loose manhole ring and lid on Ralston Ave.
- Staff ordered new pump power cord to replace damaged power cord at North Road Sewer Pump Station
- City Crews troubleshooting alarms at Baseball Field Sewer Pump Station

Traffic Operations

- Weekly visual inspections for preventative maintenance of intersections
- Visual inspection of lighted crosswalks
- Delivered 60 barricades to City Hall for the upcoming Save the Music Festival
- Assisted street department with dig out and paving on Tahoe Drive
- Re-structured barricade storage area
- Repaired damaged barricades
- Weekly sign machine maintenance
- Made new rustic old Belmont logo for trailer. (Cut Outs)
- Made 2 new Belmont city logos for trailer and laminated
- Made 2 new 18x24" NO LEFT TURN signs
- Put up new pole on Semeria Avenue and street signs on Casa Bona Avenue
- Installed decals on emergency response trailer
- Painted green curb in front of 840 El Camino Real
- Placed yellow reflective backing on 5 each 30x30" aluminum blanks
- Placed yellow reflective backing on 5 each 36x36" aluminum blanks
- Cut/plot/peeled signal ahead sign decals
- Placed vinyl on 5 new 36x36" signal ahead signs

Streets Division

- Marked out 18 locations for Underground Service Alerts
- Crack sealed 540 feet on Plateau Drive
- Crack sealed 1,010 feet on Lodge Drive
- Dug out and paved on the 2100 Block of Ralston Avenue using 7 tons of asphalt
- Dug out and paved on Meadow Park Circle using 4.11 tons of asphalt
- Dug out and paved on Tahoe Drive using 2.5 tons of asphalt
- Saw cut in preparation for paving at 4 locations



IN THE NEWS

SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

GOVERNOR BROWN SIGNS LEGISLATION TO BAN SINGLE-USE PLASTIC BAGS

SACRAMENTO – Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. today signed the nation's first statewide ban on single-use plastic bags – SB 270 – aligning state law with ordinances passed by a growing number of local governments in California to reduce plastic waste.

"This bill is a step in the right direction – it reduces the torrent of plastic polluting our beaches, parks and even the vast ocean itself," said Governor Brown. "We're the first to ban these bags, and we won't be the last."

The legislation, authored by Senator Alex Padilla (D-Pacoima), prohibits grocery stores and pharmacies from distributing single-use plastic bags after July 2015 and enacts the same ban for convenience stores and liquor stores the following year. It will also provide up to \$2 million in competitive loans – administered by CalRecycle – to businesses transitioning to the manufacture of reusable bags.

Thus far, over 120 local governments in California have passed ordinances banning single-use bags in some fashion, with widespread support from community and environmental groups. SB 270 is supported by many of these same groups, along with local governments, businesses and labor organizations.

"I applaud Governor Brown for signing SB 270 into law. He continues to lead our state forward with a commitment to sustainability. A throw-away society is not sustainable. This new law will greatly reduce the flow of billions of single-use plastic bags that litter our communities and harm our environment each year. Moving from single-use plastic bags to reusable bags is common sense. Governor Brown's signature reflects our commitment to protect the environment and reduce government costs," said Senator Padilla.

"The California coast is a national treasure and a calling card for the world, helping us attract visitors and business from around the globe. Removing the harmful blight of single-use plastic bags, especially along our coastline and waterways, helps ensure the

kind of clean and healthy environment we need to have a stronger economy and a brighter future," said Assembly Speaker Toni Atkins.

"SB 270 is a win-win for the environment and for California workers. We are doing away with the scourge of single-use plastic bags and closing the loop on the plastic waste stream, all while maintaining – and growing – California jobs. As we further develop our green economy, SB 270 will be a model for balancing the health of the planet with the preservation of people's livelihoods," said Senate President pro Tem-elect Kevin de León, a joint author of the bill.

"For nearly 10 million Californians, life without plastic grocery bags is already a reality. Bag bans reduce plastic pollution and waste, lower bag costs at grocery stores, and now we're seeing job growth in California at facilities that produce better alternatives," said Californians Against Waste executive director Mark Murray.

"California is the first state in the U.S. to ban the most ubiquitous consumer item on the planet, in an effort to drive consumers towards sustainable behavior change. Data from the over 127 local plastic bag bans has proven that bans are effective at reducing litter and changing consumer attitudes, and have refuted industry's claims of apocalyptic impacts on jobs and poor communities. A state plastic bag ban saves taxpayers the huge amount of money spent on litter cleanup, and protects the environment," said Clean Seas Coalition and Seventh Generation Advisors director Leslie Tamminen.

"SB 270 is a great victory for all of California. We've seen locally that plastic bag bans lead to cleaner water and healthier wildlife, keeping trash off our beaches and out of our creeks. The success of bag bans in our local communities has empowered state legislators to make the right decision for the health of California's waterways. Governor Brown's signature of this statewide bag ban is an important moment for our state, demonstrating that California is once again willing to take the lead on important environmental issues," said Save the Bay executive director David Lewis.

For full text of the bill, visit: http://leginfo.ca.gov/bilinfo.html.

Other Agency Reports and Communications

NDNU Homecoming Activates

From Notre Dame de Namur University:

NDNU 2014 Homecoming will be here before we know it and I want to personally invite you, your family, and friends to "come home" on Friday, October 3 and Saturday, October 4 for this special weekend. Notre Dame de Namur University has changed as it continues to grow. Homecoming is a perfect time for alumni to reunite with former classmates, faculty and staff.



Special activities have been planned for the entire university community. Have a glass of wine and hors d'oeuvres with a classmate as we showcase our <u>NDNU talent</u> on Friday night, or celebrate alumni milestone classes on Saturday night. Enjoy your classmates at our <u>Homecoming BBQ</u> lunch event while judging our first <u>Iron Chef Competition</u> where local fire and police departments battle it out on the grill. Learn about some of our alums and their businesses at the <u>Alumni Marketplace</u> and stay for an '<u>Ohana celebration</u>' as we cheer on our <u>Argo volleyball team</u> as they play against BYU Hawaii.

One of the highlights is the NDNU "Iron Chef" Cook-off

"NDNU Iron Chef BBQ Competition" between San Mateo County Police Chiefs and <u>Belmont Firefighters</u> as they battle it out on the grill!

Come home to celebrate NDNU and the exciting university it is today.



Sunday. October 5th Twin Pines Park. Belmont 11am-5:00pm

The Music

Local Scene Stage
Oracle Blues & Jazz Stage
Community Stage
Children's Area Stage
Battle of the Marching Bands

The Food

Delicious local cuisine Gourmet lunch trucks International specialties Delightful desserts

The Fun

Jump, climb & play games in the huge Children's Area

Make, build & learn at Save the Music University

Try out awesome instruments in the Musical Instrument Petting Zoo

Support Belmont-Redwood Shores Public Schools







www.schoolforce.org/savethemusic

6th Annual Active San Mateo County Conference

Food for Thought

Hosted by Supervisor Carole Groom

October 29, 2014 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. San Mateo Garden Center 605 Parkside Way, San Mateo



FOOD FOR THOUGHT is bringing the concept of farm to table to your neighborhood through a focus on planning, organizing, and the health benefits of community gardens, as well as strengthening ties to the local farm community.



Keynote Speaker Executive Chef Miriam Russell-Wadleigh

WORKSHOPS

Garden Gym: What a Shovel Can Do for You Planning Community Wellness through Gardening Food for All: Innovation in Food Distribution The Economic Sense of Harvesting Health Garden Tour

Registration is free; light breakfast provided

RSVP to scastoria@smcgov.org or 650-363-4568









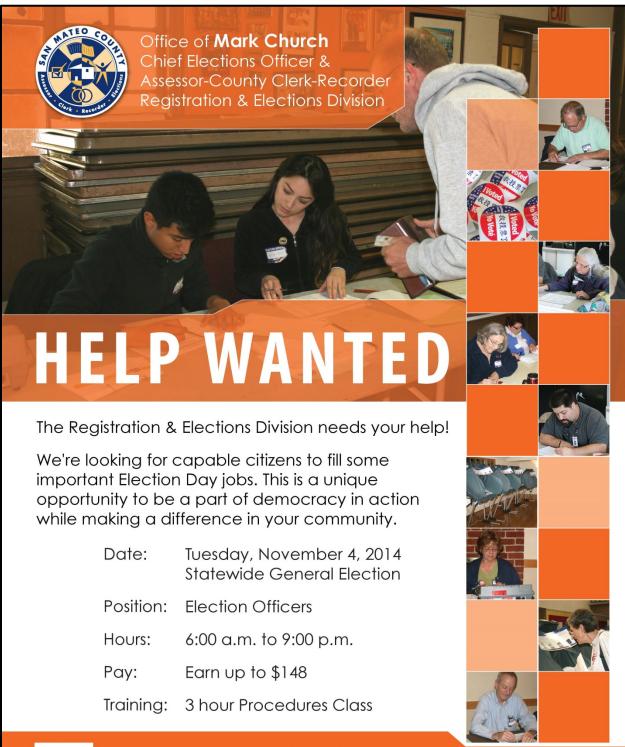




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Elections Office Needs your Help





Sign up online at www.shapethefuture.org or call us at (650) 286-2810

Twin Pines Community Center

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Belmont Public Library Calendar of Events

